

Memo from
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To: Norton

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eobiology -- random thoughts

I am glad to share these notes with you; but with some trepidation: they are very personal, and surely mostly crazy.

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The Zobell 'phenomenon' is one that deserves empirical examination, regardless of the rest of the speculation. I may still get some work on that under the wire before leaving.

We obviously need to talk a good deal more about details.

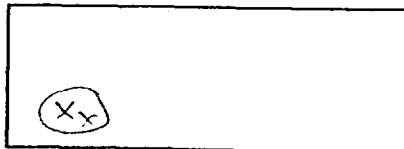
Yours

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*The adsorption model is thermodynamically faulty, unless the bacteria move over the glass surface (?or grow over it). Some pretty primitive bugs know how to glide, by a still mysterious mechanism.

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* J. Bant 46: 39-56 (1943)



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